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11. (C/NF)DATT delivered reftel talking points to MOD Defense Policy and Strategy Division Deputy Director Radomir Jahoda on August 29th. Jahoda reiterated the Czech Ministry of Defense support for the Strategic Airlift initiative. He said a Letter of Intent was currently awaiting signature by Deputy Defense Minister Martin Belcik. Jahoda could not yet specify the number of hours to which the Czech Government would commit, but offered to try to provide this information in advance of the anticipated 8 Sep meeting. Post will report such information as soon as it becomes available. CABANISS